

Draft Resolution 12-003
Establishment of a Land and Water Acquisition Fund
April 25, 2012

Whereas, the Bureau of Reclamation has identified a need to establish a Land and Water Acquisition Fund to provide flexibility in planning and implementing land and water acquisitions to accomplish conservation measures described in the Habitat Conservation Plan;

Whereas, Steering Committee members were advised and participated in discussions on establishing a Land and Water Acquisitions Funds during the Steering Committee meeting held on October 22, 2008 in Las Vegas, Nevada; the Steering Committee meeting held on October 28, 2009 in Laughlin, Nevada; and the Technical Work Group meeting held on March 29, 2012 in Yuma, Arizona;

Whereas, the Program Manager is recommending that the Bureau of Reclamation establish a Land and Water Acquisition Fund, administered by the Program Manager, to facilitate land and water acquisitions needed to accomplish conservation measures;

Whereas, the Bureau of Reclamation will track all funds set aside into the Land and Water Acquisition Fund, all funds distributed from the Land and Water Acquisition Fund, and report these credits, debits, and balances to the Steering Committee annually through the *Implementation Report, Work Plan and Budget, and Accomplishment Report*; now, therefore, be it

Resolved that the Steering Committee concurs with the recommendation that the Bureau of Reclamation establish the Land and Water Acquisition Fund.

Draft Motion

Move that the LCR MSCP Steering Committee concur with the recommendation that the Bureau of Reclamation establish the Land and Water Acquisition Fund.